

# Chisholm Trail Art Association

## May 2022 Newsletter

*www.chisholmtrailartists.com and Chisholm Trail Art Group on Facebook*

### CTAA May 12

## Meeting

Joshua Bradley will present our program.

6 pm

In the Chisholm Trail Room  
at the

Wellington State Bank  
in Bowie, TX

Visitors are welcome.

Anyone may attend two of our meetings per year without joining the group.

Please arrive on time. After a short business meeting the program will begin.



### CTAA Presentation May 12th Joshua Bradley

Joshua Bradley was born and raised in North Texas. The rich history that surrounds the area has influenced his art work to a great degree. Often discussed by his Grandfather and Dad were stories of Cowboys and Indians, Jesse James and Gunfighters of the West. That imagery and lore have affected him to pursue his passion for Western and Southwest art.

As a child he loved to draw and would often take trips to the library for reference material. On trip had him stumble across a book on Maria Martinez. That book would be checked out and looked through many times. It wasn't till many years later while working as a carpenter that he was compelled to create a pot out of wood.

He now turns segmented vases, bowls and vessels out of wood. Often times the turning will require the use of hundreds of pieces of wood to create the desired design. No stains, paints or dyes are used, just different species of wood to get different colors with a several coats of clear and wax. It is a very time consuming process.

While mostly known as a wood turner, Mr. Bradley enjoys oil painting wildlife and animals. His recent endeavor has seen him tackle Silversmithing and Lapidary work in the style of old pawn jewelry.

His work has been shown in different museums shows and galleries. He is currently represented by Davis & Blevins the Main St. Gallery in St. Jo, TX.





# CTAA Meeting Minutes

## CTAA April Meeting – 4/14/2022

Gale Cochran-Smith, President called the meeting to order at 4:15pm at the alternate location of the 7th Day Adventist Church Fellowship Hall in Bowie (as she had forgotten to procure the key to the CT Room at Wellington State Bank). Arrangements for future key retrievals was made, with Gwen Coulson to get the key or notify Gale that she would be unable to do so, in which case Gale needs to make other arrangements.

Treasurer's Report: \$3,109.76 on deposit at Wellington State Bank. All refund checks issued for the cancelled Soon Warren Watercolor Workshop have cleared.

Larry Lemons discussed possible art show "Art of the Song" in conjunction with the Nocona Nights Music Festival on October 15th. The Nocona Nights group have a committee dedicated to the event, and two members from CTAA will join to help coordinate efforts. The last time we did the show (2018? 2019?) Nocona Nights donated \$500 in prize money for the art show, and Larry will see if they will repeat this year. It was discussed that we would set up the art show on Friday the 14th. We would need volunteers to man the show all day Saturday (taking different shifts). Prize money / ribbons would be awarded at the end of Saturday's show, just prior to the music event starting that evening, and the winning art pieces would be moved by the artists / Nocona Nights personnel to the music venue. Arrangements would have to be made by each artist to pick up their work after the awards ceremony (if not top prize winning) or after the music event (if top prize winning). Prize winning would be defined as Best of Show, and first place in each category (to be determined). At least one artist's entry needs to be "music related or themed." Vote was taken as to whether or not the CTAA should participate (Jesse Coulson motion, and Karen Kennedy Chapman 2nd), and the vote was unanimous to proceed with planning. Entry forms, website notice, flyers, etc need to be finalized not later than August 1st.

Larry also brought up that CTAA now has a projector (anonymous donor) for presentations. The projector can connect to a phone or laptop. Larry will act as keep of the projector, which will be available for any CTAA member in good standing to borrow for a personal presentation.

Karen Kennedy Chapman announced that she has been invited to participate in the Mustang Heritage Foundation's Mustang Extreme event in Fort Worth in September. She will be painting a painting onsite, which will be auctioned off to benefit the Mustang Heritage Foundation, which promotes adoption of wild mustangs.

Liz Bower brought up that there is a new art gallery opening in Bowie, across the street from the Post Office, but no one knows who is behind it yet.

This month's presentation was made by Larry G. Lemons on some of the "tools of the trade" he uses for his art pieces. A T-square, 4' "yard" stick, cardboard compass, protractor are his main tools, along with yellow painters tape. Larry talked about using a grid system (using an app called Grid#) as a means of accurately drawing the outlines of an image or even something from real life onto a canvas. Once a grid is drawn on the canvas and drawn over the top of an image, it is relatively easy to just go square by square in the grid to draw the main details, using the concept of negative and positive space and how each piece fits within the grid. "Draw the big stuff, and paint the little stuff," is Larry's advice. Everything centers off the mid-point in the canvas, and like eating an elephant "one bite at a time," the painting can take shape. Larry showed several examples of his work, which he began using this grid system.

"Artist of the Month" for April was a tie between Jesse Coulson's photograph "Hawaiian Honeymoon" and Karen Kennedy Chapman's oil painting "Always With Us," painted in memory of her nephew who had recently passed away.

Next month's presenter is Joshua Bradley, who will bring examples of his turned wood bowls and vases, his western jewelry, and his paintings. Joshua recently won awards at the Cowboy True event in Wichita Falls for his jewelry and bowls.

July's presentation is Susan Moody, who used to own Ancient Ovens, and who now owns "Blue Dog Moon Fiber Arts." Susan will present her fiber art creations.

August is our annual summer field trip to the Amon G. Carter Museum in Fort Worth.

Meeting called to conclusion at 8:05pm.



# ETA A April Meeting

Larry presented the April program and showed examples of how he uses various drawing tools including straight edges, home made compasses, plastic container lids, protractors, and other objects, as well as the grid drawing method to draw or transfer his smaller sketches and photographs to larger canvases for painting. He also demonstrated the newly acquired digital projector and how it can be used for tracing or combined with a grid app to achieve similar results. A hands on demo using George Rodrigue's blue dog Art was projected for those in attendance to try their hand at drawing while Larry shared a little history of the blue dog. The projector was donated to the group by an anonymous donor.



## ETA A Artists of the Month



Congratulations to both Karen Kennedy Chatham and Jesse Coulson for sharing "Artist of the Month" honors for April. Karen's oil painting "Always With Us" and Jesse's photograph "Hawaiian Honeymoon" showcase the diversity and talent of our



# Workshops & Events



**Weatherford Art Association**

**May 26 – July 21**  
 Doss Heritage & Cultural Center  
 1400 Texas Drive, W'ford  
**Adult Categories**  
 Oil & Acrylic    Photography  
 Works on Paper    Experimental Media  
**Student Categories**  
 K to 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup>,  
 7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>  
**Registration**  
 May 19<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>  
 Go to  
 Weatherfordart.com  
 For more information.



**Cash Prizes**  
**Adults & Students**



**Entry Fees**  
 WAA Members 1<sup>st</sup> Piece \$15  
 Non-Members 1<sup>st</sup> Piece \$30  
 All Entries 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Piece \$5  
 Student Entries \$5 each  
 Limit of 3 pieces of Art  
 Entries must be less than 5 years  
 & original Art.



**Students**  
**Welcome**



**Enter**  
**Today**  
**Awards**  
**July 7<sup>th</sup> @**  
**The Doss**

**Just Your Average West**

2022 Solo Exhibition of New Art from Randy Meador  
 Show Opening Saturday, October 22  
 Herwin and Davis Gallery  
 Saint Jo, Texas  
 Wine!

**Randy Meador**

ARTIST OF THE AMERICAN WEST

Current Meador Art Collector: "Only an earth model could spend good money on something that just hangs on a wall!"

Meador: "Perhaps to remind you why you're alive. It's a mirror that reflects the best of your past, present, and future."

Randy Meador is a wholly self-taught 2D and 3D artist from Saint Jo, Texas. Born just a stone's throw from the Algonquin Ranch in Vernon, Texas and raised on a smaller ranch in Central West Texas, he fell in love with trees and heritage of the West.

That love of the West translated into sculptures for the Chickasaw Nation, TCI Football Stadium, several municipal public works, Seneca inspired oil paintings, and vibrant watercolor. Randy is known for his watercolor with a long list of accolades and awards. In China, he's known as "The Cowboy," which he finds silly, because he considers himself a pretty good hand.

His animated and unorthodox stage presentations make him a popular museum lecturer and Western art advocate.

Randy is a University of Oklahoma graduate and actively supports US veterans.

## Granbury Workshop with Doug Walton



**M Douglas Walton**  
**4 Day Workshop**  
 Innovative Painting 9:00am – 4:30 pm  
 Wednesday – Saturday  
 May 11 – 14, 2022  
**Cost:**  
**Member Early Bird Price: \$325.00 Member**  
**After May 1 \$350.00**  
**Non-Member \$400.00**

**Contact Sue Bagwell for more information**  
**432 213 0860 phone or text**

**Holly Hertig**  
 Acrylic & Oil Workshops

hyperpalette.pro/taa

May  
 Holly Hertig: Tuesday evenings May 17 & 31 6 – 8 pm "Acrylic Explorations"  
 June:  
 Holly Hertig: Saturdays 10 am -1 pm June 11, 18, 25 "Amazing Acrylics"  
 Holly Hertig: June 14, 15, 16 Tuesday – Thursday 6-8 pm "Oil Paint Like the Masters"

**IRVING ART**  
 COLLECTIVE

Have fun with friends and paint these acrylics with Holly Hertig for less than \$50 per person, supplies included. Scan QR code (with your cell phone camera on square mode) for details of these acrylics and an Oils class. Meet us at 1975 Puritan Drive Irving, Texas 75061

# *CTAA 2022 Meeting Schedule*

**July 14:** Susan Moody showcases her fiber art

**August 11: FIELD TRIP!!!** The group travels to the Amon G. Carter Museum in Fort Worth to see a number of different exhibits before they end in September.

**September 8:** Anne Ayres presents her bronze sculpture art and her children's books.

**October 13:** Cara Lea Willoughby presents her Indian horse blanket designs

**November 10:** Ron Ice presents a program on finding creativity in all things

**December 8:** Christmas Party & White Elephant Gift Exchange (location TBA)

## *Area Art Opportunities*

**Parker County Peach Festival Art Competition - May 26th through July 21st.** Registration is May 19th and 21st. For more information, go to [Weatherfordart.com](http://Weatherfordart.com).

See the CTAA website for more information.

**CTAA's Art of the Song Art Show & Competition in conjunction with Nocona Nights Music Festival. October 15th.** More information coming soon!

**ART CLASSES BY DON MacLAUGHLIN, Nocona, TX.** For more information, contact Don at 214-616-2449.

**OIL PAINTING CLASSES BY JUDY GELFERT, Arlington, TX.** For more information: See the CTAA website for more information.

**FOR ART SHOW EVENTS ALL OVER THE UNITED STATES, go to [www.callforentry.org](http://www.callforentry.org) for a calendar listing!**



# Area Art Websites to Visit

Arts Council  
Wichita Falls Area, Inc.



<http://www.artscouncilwf.org/>



**CHISHOLM  
TRAIL**  
HERITAGE CENTER

**Chisholm Trail Heritage Center**  
1000 Chisholm Trail Parkway  
Duncan, Oklahoma 73533  
<https://onthechisholmtrail.com>



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